

The Honorable Thomas “Tommy” Battle, Jr.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville

Mayor Tommy Battle was re-elected in August 2012 by an unprecedented 81 percent of the vote. Entering his second term on Nov. 5, Mayor Battle pledges to continue his laser focus on fiscal responsibility. Through his leadership, Huntsville has earned AAA ratings for the past five years from both Standard and Poor's and Moody's, despite the global economic downturn.

Dedicated to creating jobs and diversifying Huntsville's economic base, Mayor Battle is committed to his Space, Geospatial, Cyber and Energy initiatives, which aggressively work to unite the City's rich intellectual capital with new opportunities. Last spring, Mayor Battle brought national attention to Huntsville's energy and sustainability achievements when he joined the mayors from Washington, D.C., and Cincinnati at the Planet Forward Innovation Summit to recognize municipal advancements in climate, energy and sustainability.



A champion of teamwork, Mayor Battle strives to work collaboratively with leadership and citizens. As a result, Huntsville is in an enviable position of stability and growth potential that has earned the City global attention. The Milken Institute recently recognized Huntsville as one of the top ten best performing cities in the country, and *Atlantic Cities* named Huntsville as one of the nation's top 10 creative class metros.

Born in Birmingham in 1955, Mayor Battle moved to Huntsville in 1980 after receiving a business degree from The University of Alabama. Four years later, he was elected to Huntsville's City Council. His successful career as an entrepreneur and businessman, along with nearly 30 years of community service, effectively prepared him for the demanding role as the City's chief executive officer, recruiter, and champion of its future.

The Mayor is married to the former Eula Sammons, a retired kindergarten teacher. They have one son, Drew, and daughter-in-law, Lauren.

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